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Jupitz receives award for saving a life



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Sean Jupitz receives a Certificate of Recognition from SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach. On Friday, the life-guard was awarded for saving an 11-year-old Pittsburgh boy over the summer in Ocean City, Md. The boy could not breathe after being almost completely covered with sand when his hole on the beach collapsed.

Forensic anthropologist discusses skeletons, Chesapeake history

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

"Just like you can read a book, I can read a skeleton," said Dr. Doug Owsley, forensic anthropologist who presented "Forensic Files of the 17th Century Chesapeake," last Thursday. The talk was hosted by the Nabb Research Center. As Division Head of Physical Anthropology at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History in Washington D.C., Owsley has seen his share of skulls and bones.

Over the last 30 years, Owsley estimates he has examined more than 10,000 skeletons including those of Eastern Islanders, Plains Indians and Jamestown colonists. Some of

his most famous cases involve the examination of the body of Jeffrey Dahmer's first victim, victims of the Sept. 11 tragedy and those who were lost during the Yugoslavia genocide.

Owsley is the co-curator of "Written in Bone," an exhibit at the Smithsonian which examines history through 17th-century bone biographies including those of colonists who lived in Jamestown, Va. and St. Mary's City, Md. The exhibition was created to show an exciting way to investigate the present and the past while also educating visitors about human skeletons — how they lived and how they died.

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Professor recounts visit to Estonian sister city

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

The Sister Cities Association of Salisbury/Wicomico County is a little-known, yet very active group that works with Salisbury's "sister cities" around the world, including Salisbury, England; Dalian, China; and Tartu, Estonia. SU professor Dr. Shekar Shetty recently visited Tartu.

He talked about his experience in his speech, "My Visit to Our Sister City, Tartu, Estonia," on Sept. 22 at the Salisbury Area Chamber of Commerce.

As a Fulbright Scholar, Shetty was given the opportunity to teach at Tallinn University of Technology in Estonia. In a six month stay in the city of Tallinn, with many visits to Tartu as well, Shetty immersed himself in the culture and

took in the many nuances of the country as he saw them.

"They are a very technologically advanced society, and can vote by cell phone or laptop," Shetty said.

Likewise, there is no check-writing system in place where everything is electronic — a paperless society.

The country of Estonia is still a developing nation, having gained their freedom from Russia in 1991 after 40 years of occupation. Shetty cites this feeling of liberation that still exists as a reason why he chose Tartu.

"I could have gone anywhere in the world," he said. "But Estonia's liberation, economic system, and progress in the last few years made it appealing."

Academic life in Tallinn and Tartu is slightly different than in the United States, where students

feel that it is rude to ask questions or participate during lecture. This observation by Shetty, who regards his teaching style as "American," led him to incorporate homework, discussions, projects and quizzes into his curriculum.

"The students like it a lot," he said.

The increase in engagement in the classroom was one of the many positive aspects of Shetty's time in Estonia and was made even better by the friendly atmosphere of both Tallinn and Tartu.

"My wife and I loved it so much we didn't want to come back at the end of the six months," Shetty said.

As a professor of finance, Shetty observed with a keen eye the country's adaption to capitalism in wake of independence.

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Patrick Morris photo

Dr. Shekar Shetty discusses "My Visit to Our Sister City, Tartu, Estonia," and talks about Estonia and his experience teaching there.



Daniel McFarland photo

Dean Maarten Pereboom, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach, Dean Dennis Pataniczek, Dr. Jim Hill and Dr. Clara Small pose in front of Hill's Harriet Tubman statue last Tuesday.

Harriet Tubman statue unveiled

By Meredith Meads
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Salisbury University unveiled a statue of Harriet Tubman, displayed outside of the Teacher Education and Technology Center during a brief ceremony.

In attendance were many faculty members including Salisbury University President Dr. Janet Dud-

ley-Eshbach, Dr. Clara Small and the sculptor, Dr. Jim Hill. Members from the community also attended the unveiling, including students from Salisbury Middle School.

The American Spiritual Ensemble performed two songs before the unveiling, "Walk Together Children" and "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel." The group is well

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Volunteer Center begins to take shape at Salisbury

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

Salisbury University and Student Activities are currently in the process of developing a Volunteer Center, where students will be able to choose from a variety of different opportunities to get involved and make a difference.

SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach and a committee of faculty came up with the idea for the Volunteer Center, which will provide a central location for students to receive information about volunteer opportunities within the community. They want students to get involved with the community and the establishment of a volunteer center will serve ideally for students looking for community service hours for judicial purposes.

"We've contacted a lot of non-profit organizations about volunteer needs," said graduate assistant and coordinator Ashley Dickinson. "There will be a wide variety of projects students can participate in."

Upcoming events include Habitat for Humanity and Seacrets' Cus-

tomers Appreciation Celebration as well as opportunities with the American Red Cross and the American Cancer Society. Some openings are on a regular basis for students looking to put their experience on a résumé.

"I think [the Volunteer Center] will make it a lot easier to find ways to volunteer in the community," said senior Deanna Cox. "I wouldn't really know where to begin looking [for a volunteer op-

portunity] in Salisbury."

Although the Volunteer Center is not officially established, the program hosted its first event, Project Linus, on Sept. 22 and 23 in the Fireside Lounge. Project Linus is a non-profit organization with hundreds of chapters nationwide where volunteers make fleece blankets to donate to children in need. Blankets are collected locally and

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Julianne Waxman photo

Lauren Foreman and Delannie Spriggs work on a blanket for Project Linus. The Volunteer Center, which is in development, hosted the event.

Briefly Stated

Perdue School Groundbreaking
At 1 p.m. on Tuesday Sept. 29, SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach has invited the community to the ground-breaking of the new Franklin P. Perdue School of Business. The \$56 million project will stand three stories tall at 112,800 square feet. It is scheduled to open for classes in fall 2011.

Choosing a Major/Minor Workshop
On Thursday Oct. 8 from 4-4:45 p.m., Career Services in the Guerrieri University Center will sponsor a workshop to help students choose a major and/or minor that is right for them. Advising coordinators from the various schools will be available to answer questions and review programs. Interested students should register at www.salisbury.edu/careerservices.

Body Mapping Exhibit
Sponsored by University Galleries, the "Body Mapping" exhibit will run from Oct. 9-Nov. 8. It will feature body mapping techniques and work by four nationally acclaimed artists: Kaethe Kauffman, Tina Blondell, Giedre Monville and Eileen Senner. Hand-painted photographs, portraits, colored drawings and more will showcase the secret expressions behind body mapping. Admission is free and the public is invited. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, noon-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Battle of the Bands Sign-Up
Want to showcase your band talent to the SU community? Applications to participate in this year's battle of the bands competition are due by 5 p.m. Oct. 7 in the SGA office in Student Activities. A demo is required of two to three songs. The competition will be held during homecoming week, Oct. 22, 4:30-7 p.m. in the Quad.

Improv Comedy Troupe Rehearsals
SU's Bound & Gagged Improv Comedy Troupe welcomes all who wish to learn improv skills, acting and comedic timing. Rehearsal meetings are Mondays 5-6:30 p.m. and Fridays 4-5:30 p.m. in Fulton Hall Room 203. Participation is optional and anyone is welcome to sit in and watch.

Sea Gull Century Registration
This year's Sea Gull Century will take place Saturday, Oct. 10. To register, visit www.seagullcentury.org. The cost is \$75 per person or \$90 the weekend of the event. The ride includes two routes: a 100-mile Assateague century and a 100-kilometer Princess Anne metric (64 miles). Due to the construction of the Perdue School of Business buildings, the start location has been moved to the corner of Bateman and Wayne streets and the finish line has been relocated near the mall outside of Henson Hall. Friday, Oct. 9, riders may attend a welcome reception from 6-9 p.m. near Maggs and on Saturday Oct. 10 may participate in the Lawn Party from 1-6 p.m. on the mall outside Henson Hall.

"Private Lives" Theatre Production
SU's Bobbi Biron Theatre Program will inaugurate its 2009-2010 season with a production of the 1930s classic "Private Lives." Directed by Robert Smith of SU's Theatre and Dance Department, the show will take place Oct. 9-11 and Oct. 15-18 in the Black Box Theatre of Fulton Hall. Curtain is 8 p.m. except for 2 p.m. on Sundays. Admission is \$15, \$12 for seniors 62 and older and those with an SU ID receive one free ticket. For tickets and more information call 410-543-6278 or visit www.salisbury.edu.

Pi Gamma Mu Membership
Maryland Gamma, SU's chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, the international social sciences honor society, is accepting nominations for membership. It is open to SU juniors, seniors and graduate students in the upper 35 percent of the class with at least 20 semester hours in the social sciences, a "B" average and an overall grade point average of 3.6 or better. The fall initiation will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday Oct. 10 in the Scarborough Student Leadership Center.

Campus-wide smoking ban debated at forum

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

The decision to smoke cigarettes is a personal choice made by each individual, however, some feel this decision affects more than just the individual smoker and a proposal has been issued to ban smoking cigarettes on-campus at SU. Students gathered together at Sunday's SGA forum to let their voices be heard in a discussion regarding the ban. A presentation was given by SU's Colleges against Cancer chapter members Katie Friedman and Eric Kennedy on why a smoking ban is needed and the process by which it will take if implemented at SU. Their main argument was that students who choose not to smoke should not have to breathe in second-hand smoke and that the current policy is not being enforced.

According to the Salisbury University Web site, the current SU policy regarding smoking states that there are "designated smoking areas for each campus building" and prohibits smoking "within 30 feet of all other building entrances. Prohibited smoking areas begin at the bottom or first step

of an entrance." The designated smoking areas currently in place are distinguished by posted signs and are equipped with benches and a disposal bin for cigarette butts. These designated smoking areas are located throughout campus, in an effort to accommodate non-smokers who do not wish to be exposed to second hand smoke.

"The current policy is very hard to uphold," said Kennedy. "People don't respect what the policy states."

Some main points to their argument to make SU a smoke-free campus included that second-hand smoke is just as deadly outside as it is inside, non-smokers should not be inconvenienced by avoiding smokers and smokers are not respectful of non-smokers on campus.

"One of the main reasons we want to go smoke-free is that even the people who are choosing not to smoke are being hurt by the effects of smoking," said Friedman. If put into place, smoking cigarettes would be banned in all parking lots, athletic fields, tennis courts and other areas, and also inside all vehicles on these grounds.

Receptacles would be placed around the campus perimeter and, if found smoking on any of these grounds, the individual would receive a fine from the school.

Views were mixed on the topic, with many valid arguments as to why SU should not become smoke-free. Students discussed the right to free choice and problems the ban would create for students, faculty and the community.

Corey O'Brien argued that, if smoking was banned on campus, smokers living on campus would need to go off campus to smoke, creating unsafe situations and becoming a nuisance to Salisbury residents.

"We would either have to go into areas that are not safe at night or we would be at resident's doorsteps," said O'Brien.

Students also suggested to make the current policy more strict or to designate an area away from central locations and entrances for smokers.

"I think that students will be more apt to abide by the current policy if they know that a smoking-ban will be put into effect if [smokers] do not follow the policy," said senior Amanda Johnson.

Crime Beat

9/16/09
12:05 p.m.-12:35 p.m.
Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unsecured and unattended bicycle from a bicycle rack near the Commons Building.

09/16/09
7 p.m.-10 p.m.
Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unattended bicycle from a bicycle rack near Blackwell Library.

09/16/09-09/17/09
10 p.m.-12 p.m.
Theft/Burglary

A resident of Chesapeake Hall reported the theft of property from within his room. The case is under investigation.

09/17/09
9:15 a.m.-4:45 p.m.
Theft/Burglary

Two residents of Chesapeake Hall reported the theft of property from within their shared room. The case is under investigation.

09/17/09
11:30 a.m.
Telephone Misuse

A resident of Chester Hall reported that he had received several unwanted annoying telephone calls on his cell phone. The offender, a fellow student known to the complainant, was identified through the officer's investigation. A copy of the incident report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review.

09/18/09
8 a.m.-2 p.m.
Theft

A complainant reported the theft of personal property from a locker within the Maggs men's general locker room.

09/20/09
1:17 a.m.
Alcohol Intoxication

University Police and Emergency Medical Services were called to a Dogwood Village residence to render aid to an intoxicated student. The student, who was under the age of 21 years, was transported to the hospital for treatment.

09/21/09
1:54 a.m.
Alcohol Violation

University Police officers were called to a room in Chesapeake Hall for a noise violation. Officers discovered ten students in possession of alcoholic beverages, while under the age of 21 years. All ten were issued civil citations, and a copy of the incident report was forwarded to Housing and Residence Life and the Office of Student Affairs for review.

Family Weekend brings variety of events to Salisbury October 2-4

SALISBURY, MD — From the athletic fields to the stage, students share their talents with parents, siblings and other relatives during Salisbury University's 2009 Family Weekend, Friday through Sunday, October 2 through 4.

An optional "family paddle" kayak tour of the Manokin River and Jones Creek, led by Stan Shedaker of Adrenaline High, Inc., launches Friday activities at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., with additional paddles Sunday at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Admission is \$35 per person, and pre-registration is required. Call 410-749-2886 or e-mail adrenalinehigh@comcast.net.

Also on Friday, the Family Weekend Showcase at 8 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium features the SU Step Squad and SU Dance Company, and Untouchables Dance, Inc.

A tour of the Teacher Education and Technology Center kicks off Saturday's activities at 10 a.m.

Brunch with SU President Janet Dudley-Eshbach and the University's vice presidents and deans follows from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Commons. Admission is \$10, \$5 for children 6-12, free for children 5 and under. Students may use their meal plans to attend.

SU football takes on The Apprentice School of Newport News, Va., at 1 p.m. at Sea Gull Stadium. General admission is \$5, \$3 for non-SU students, \$2 for children ages 12 and under. SU ID holders receive one ticket free.

SU's Parent and Family Association hosts a post-game reception at 4 p.m. Saturday on the Henson Science Hall Lawn, priming taste buds for Dining Services' annual Recipes From Home Dinner 5-7:30 p.m. at the Commons.

During dinner, the SU Theatre Department presents a performance of Jeff Stetson's award-winning play *The Meeting*, which explores the notion of what



Publications photo

would have happened had Malcolm X met with Martin Luther King Jr. in a Harlem hotel room on Valentine's Day 1965. Admission to the dinner, featuring recipes submitted by students' families, is \$10.36, \$6.30 for children 6 through 12 and free for children five and under.

Saturday's events conclude with a demonstration by mentalist duo The Evansons at 8 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium.

Sunday's activities begin with the annual Family Weekend Challenge, a parent-student golf outing 10 a.m. Friday at Nutters Crossing Golf Course. Registration is \$75 per two-person team, and pre-registration is required. To register visit http://salisbury.yourmembership.com/events/event_details.asp?id=71724.

A jazz brunch featuring the band Slim DeNunn and the High Rollers is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday

in the Commons. Admission is \$8.32, \$4.29 for children 6-12, free for children 5 and under.

Other Family Weekend activities include:

Friday, October 2
9 a.m.-2 p.m. — Open classrooms
7 p.m. — Transformers 2: Revenge of the Fallen screening, Caruthers Hall Auditorium

Saturday, October 3
9 a.m. — Legacy breakfast (invitation only), Alumni House
9 a.m. — Study abroad presentation, Nanticoke Room, Guerrieri University Center
10 a.m. — "What Employers Expect From Your Son or Daughter," Career Services Office, Guerrieri University Center
10 a.m. — SU master plan update, Center for Student Achievement, Guerrieri University Center
11 a.m. — "The Wide World of Financial Aid and What It Means to You," Nanticoke Room, Guerrieri University Center

In addition, the Family Weekend Information Center is open 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the Information Desk of the Guerrieri University Center. The SU Bookstore is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Events are free unless otherwise noted. For more information call 410-543-6080 or visit the Family Weekend Web site at www.salisbury.edu/parents/familyweekend.

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"I asked the students to compare our system with theirs, and there are some similarities," he said.

Adopting the free market system after independence, Shetty said that the U.S. has been a model for them in some ways. He also noticed the different ways that students study abroad.

The program he was teaching was designed for only a semester, where as non-American students who study abroad travel the globe for upwards of several years.

Shetty and his wife, who accompanied him on the trip and had as much fun exploring the country as her husband, are planning on visiting Estonia again.

"I made lots of friends and I enjoyed collaborating with them," he said.

What began with a small delegation of SU students traveling to Tartu in the summer of 2008 has led to the a stronger partnership of the sister cities. November 2010 is the next scheduled visit for students to go to Estonia.

History

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People who enter the exhibit will be able to check out the forensic files and cases of these 17th century Chesapeake people who were discovered by Owsley and his team.

"As forensic anthropologists, we work with law enforcement agencies to piece together information to solve cases," Owsley said.

Forensic anthropologists can identify the age, sex, height, cause of death and ancestry clues of the deceased by examining their skeletons. These skeleton specialists can learn a lot from the human remains by using a series of observations from the colors of the skull and tool mark indications to the types of burials.

According to Owsley, a burial preserves information not only about the deceased but about their beliefs, customs, and the culture of their people. From the positioning of the body to the shallowness of the grave, Owsley and his team can determine the social status of the skeleton. Bodies that were not

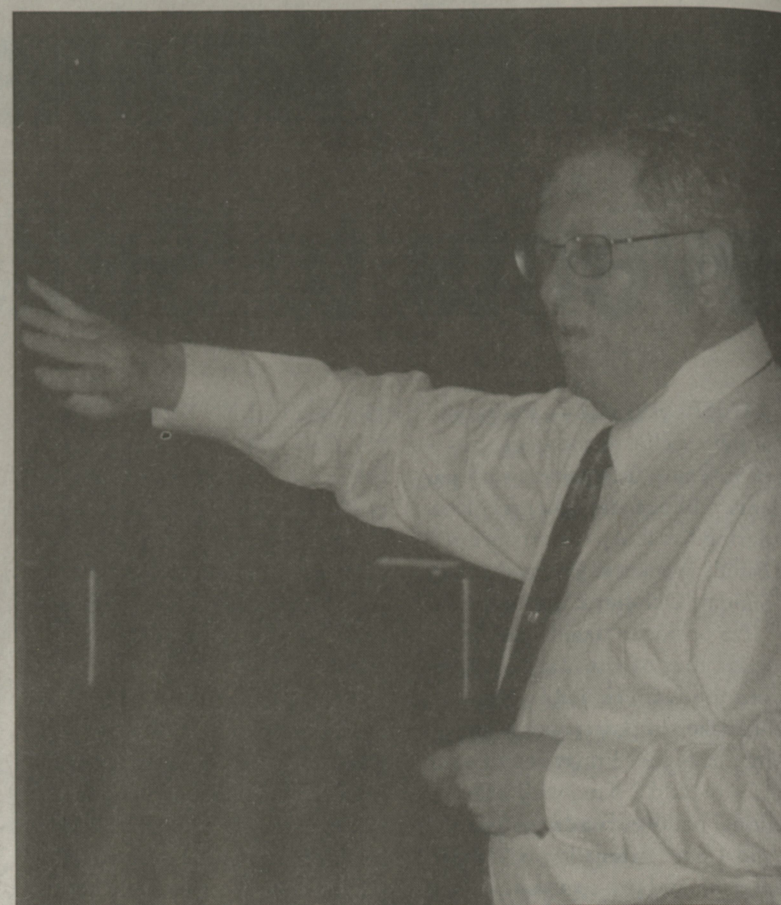
buried with care may indicate that there was a murder or perhaps say that the person did not have a close relationship with their relatives.

"During this time period, only the wealthy or people of importance were buried in coffins," he said.

Different types of graves can link which colony or family the skeleton may have derived from. To paint a better picture of how he and his specialists operate, Owsley elaborated on the differences between a forensic anthropologist and a crime scene investigator. Most people think of forensics as the people featured on shows like CSI and Law and Order who study only bodies. Forensic anthropologists feel that using the old fashioned way of identifying a person by examining their skeletons is best.

"The preservation of bones in Maryland is very good," Owsley said. "We can learn a lot from just a skeleton."

The exhibit has been open since February of 2009 and will continue to be run until February of 2011.



Adrienne Price photo

Forensic anthropologist Dr. Doug Owsley presents "Forensic Files of the 17th Century Chesapeake." The lecture took place Thursday.

Volunteer

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distributed to children in hospitals, shelters or social service agencies.

Twenty-five SU students participated in the Project Linus event and the Volunteer Center will continue to work on the blankets through October, with a goal of making 200 blankets to donate.

At Project Linus, it is their mission to "provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, hand-made blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer

blanketeers," according to their Web site. Established in 1995, the Project Linus program has donated over three million blankets to children from newborns to age 18. The organization's headquarters are located in Bloomington, Ill. and is currently run by President Carol Babbitt and Vice President Mary Balagna.

"If students have any ideas for future projects, we can help set them up with the agency they want to work for," Dickinson said.

To learn more about the Project Linus organization, go to www.projectlinus.org. The Volunteer Center's Web site is coming soon, but students can stop by the office located in the Student Activities Center.

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Manuel Zelaya, the ousted Honduran President, returns to Tegucigalpa. He was in exile for three months prior to this, and he is currently staying in the Brazilian embassy.

Ousted Honduran President Zelaya returns to capital

By James Asuquo-Brown III
Staff Writer

The ousted president of Honduras returned to his country's capital, Tegucigalpa, on Sept. 21, three months after being forced into exile at gunpoint. President Manuel Zelaya has since taken refuge in the Brazilian embassy in Tegucigalpa to avoid arrest.

In a television interview last week, Zelaya reportedly said he had returned to Honduras to reclaim his presidency in accordance with the will of the people and called for a national dialogue.

Initially Zelaya's exact whereabouts were unclear, with crowds of supporters gathering outside the United Nations building in the capital after hearing reports that he was inside the building.

Zelaya, an ally of several leftist

leaders in the region such as Venezuela's Hugo Chavez, was forced out of power on June 28 by soldiers staging a coup.

Days before, Zelaya had fired the military chief of staff for not helping in an unofficial referendum on altering the Honduran constitution. The Honduran Supreme Court had ordered the reinstatement of the military chief of staff and later claimed that it had ordered the military to remove Zelaya from the presidency.

For the next three months, Zelaya was in exile, with the exception of a symbolic return to Honduras on July 24. Zelaya crossed from Nicaragua to Honduras and met with supporters for a short period of time before returning to Nicaragua.

U.S. State Department spokesman Ian Kelly reiterated that supporters of both Zelaya and interim President Roberto

Micheletti need to exercise restraint and refrain from provocative actions that could incite violence. Violence has been intermittent since the coup, with anti-coup protestors clashing with police on multiple occasions.

The U.S. still considers Zelaya Honduras' democratically-elected and constitutional leader and refuses to recognize President Micheletti's interim government despite the government's claim of legality in Zelaya's removal. Micheletti has said that Zelaya violated a Supreme Court order to drop efforts to extend presidential term limits in the Honduran constitution.

Since Zelaya's return, Micheletti has refused to negotiate face-to-face with the ousted leader. When asked under what circumstances could Zelaya leave the Brazilian embassy, he replied, "either through political asylum or by obeying the courts."

Not all environmentalists are happy about new EPA guidelines

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

On Sept. 15, the Obama administration revealed its new plan to require improved gas mileage for cars and trucks and the first-ever regulations on motor vehicle greenhouse gas emissions.

Lisa Jackson, the Environmental Protection Agency administrator, and Ray LaHood, the transportation secretary, presented new fuel efficiency standards that would increase the standard gas mileage for new cars and trucks to an average 35.5 mpg by 2016.

"This marks a significant advance in our work to protect health and the environment and move our nation to a sustainable economy in the future," Jackson said.

The proposal came two days before the sequence of important events in Pittsburgh, Washington D.C. and the United Nations that focused on climate change.

The proposal will encompass vehicle model years 2012 through 2016. The Obama administration predicts the requirements would cost up to \$1,300 for each new vehicle by 2016. However, it would take only three years to pay off that investment and that the standards would save close to \$3,000 over the lifetime of the vehicle through better gas mileage.

The proposal is expected to increase vehicle fuel efficiency by about 5 percent annually and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by nearly 950 million metric tons. The plan would also conserve 1.8 billion barrels of oil, Jackson said.

Jackson also said the new standards could result in taking 42 million cars off the roads.

However, environmentalists are not as happy about these standards as one might think.

"Automakers lobbied hard to include loopholes in the Administration's proposal," said Dan Becker,

director of the Safe Climate Campaign at the Center for Auto Safety in an interview with TIME.

These loopholes they talk of include the flex-fuel credit allowance, which permits car manufacturers to assemble more gas guzzlers than the standards permit as long as the cars can operate on E85, a mix of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline. The trouble with that is that only 1 percent of gas stations in the United States sell E85.

Another loophole that is causing trouble is called the "German loophole." This loophole permits automakers that sell less than 400,000 vehicles in the United States to meet lower EPA standards. These include all the German Automakers; Mercedes, BMW and Volkswagen, it also includes Mitsubishi, Kia, Subaru, Ferrari, Aston Martin, Jaguar and Land Rover.

These new regulations should be finalized by next March.

U.S. General McChrystal requests more troops

By Jeremy Riffle
Global Editor

The American commander of NATO forces in Afghanistan has formally asked the Joint Chiefs of Staff for 40,000 more troops to assist the mission in the central Asian country. General Stanley McChrystal was expected to request additional forces for the nearly eight-year-old conflict after delivering a report over a week ago stating that, under the current strategy, more troops are necessary to avoid failure.

Though McChrystal's report on the situation in Afghanistan was turned in to the White House on Aug. 30, President Barack Obama has not announced whether or not he will ask for the deployment of more troops in Afghanistan. Instead, according to sources such as retired general James Jones, Obama's National Security Adviser, the president has been re-assessing American involvement in Afghanistan and Pakistan, taking into account complicating developments such as the recent contentious Afghan presidential election.

The report was leaked to journalist Bob Woodward last week, in what many Washington insiders have suggested was an attempt to pressure the president to quickly make a decision about increasing troop levels.

Lawmakers in Washington are wary of the idea of deploying more troops to Afghanistan. "I don't think there's a great deal of support for sending more troops to Afghanistan in the country or in the Congress," said Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi.

Vice President Joe Biden has called for a change in strategy that would not require additional troop deployments. The approach Biden has supported would have U.S. forces perform in traditional counterterrorism operations, conducting military strikes against Al Qaeda in Pakistan and the Taliban in Afghanistan.

The U.S. has over 60,000 troops serving in Afghanistan alongside some 35,000 NATO troops. President Obama had earlier this year approved the deployment of around 17,000 additional combat troops and 4,000 personnel for training Afghan forces. The deployment of these 21,000 troops is expected to be completed by November.

There has been a marked increase in the level of violence in the war-torn country, with 2009 becoming the deadliest year for U.S. forces since the conflict began in 2001, with 220 fatalities so far this year. Altogether, since the beginning of combat operations, there have been 1421 military fatalities suffered by the American-led coalition, with 850 American deaths.

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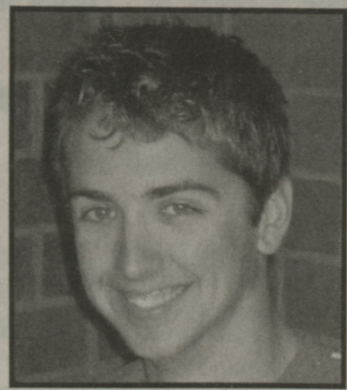
Overheard: What do you think of the Party Smart idea?

Photos and article by Tessa Mikoloski



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-Anna Overman
sophomore



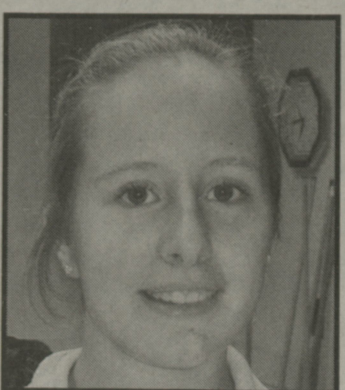
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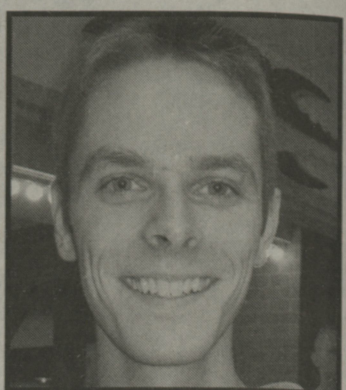
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-Jordan Hardy
junior



"I think it's a good idea but I'm not sure how it will work in Salisbury."

-Katie Wagner
junior



"It sounds like a good idea because it will let the police focus on more crimes rather than breaking up parties."

-Scott Lassahn - junior

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The war in Afghanistan continues, with more troops recently requested.

Political correctness leads to tradeoffs in Afghanistan

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Images from Afghanistan have continued to fill the nightly news. General Stanley McChrystal, commander of troops in Afghanistan, has requested an additional 30,000 to 40,000 troops to finish the job. With any situation, solutions are not independent of costs. Certain groups in the American public are becoming weary with the course and length of this conflict. These individuals would be wise to study the tradeoffs of Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan.

Our soldiers have been placed in hellish and extreme conditions, all the while attempting to walk a line that politicians favor. The approval of "public servants" and "concerned citizens" is hardly something our military should be forced to seek.

The wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have seen leadership be forced to implement a politically correct posture. This posture has led to extended conflicts and dire human tradeoffs. Rules of engagement deemed suitable by those in senatorial chairs are those that ignore the humanity of the infantryman. These

politicians who have pushed to make rules of engagement favorable to enemy initiative are truly abhorrent. Those who demand a quick fix for conflicts as complicated as Afghanistan will find none. A war and nation-building that appeases the public interest, while assuaging politicians is one where service members suffer. What are the tradeoffs for this political correctness? Additional men and women who are killed, maimed, disfigured, and those who will suffer mental anguish and all of those who sacrifice large amounts of time away from loved ones.

A concept foreign to many people's minds is that the war on terror could have been greatly expedited. Our government and military leadership must choose carefully regarding successful policies for Afghanistan that are decisive and maximize the welfare of our military. Spending too much time bantering about past missteps while ignoring opportunities to race ahead is dangerous. The United States must continue to champion freedom, liberty, and prosperity throughout the world, while finding solutions that don't neglect our military.

Carter's comments show deterioration of recent political discourse

By Robert Forrester
Staff Writer

In 1956, South Carolina Senator Preston Brooks beat Massachusetts Senator Charles Sumner over the head with a metal-tipped cane so hard that Sumner suffered permanent brain damage. I think we can all agree that this was probably the lowest point in American political discourse. While debate over national health care reform has not quite denigrated so far, one does wonder how close such action might be. Town hall debates become shouting matches, people brandish firearms, and such foolishness as "keep government off of my Medicare" is becoming commonplace.

Enter the most recent in the inane and foolish things to come from our political discourse: Jimmy Carter's comments. On Sept. 16, former President Jimmy Carter maintained that the "overwhelming portion" of opposition to President Obama's policies stem from animosity toward his race. Following on the heels of Rep. Joe Wilson's comment ("You lie!"), a storm of commentary has been made denoting his motives.

Maureen Dowd of the New York Times suggested that he implied "boy" on the end of his outburst while Rep. Hank Johnson claimed soon "we'll have folks putting on white hoods."

These comments, including Wilson's, are not the slightest bit helpful to our national discourse. Not only are such accusations generally false (including Wilson's), but they detract from the issuer's own position. Claiming that anyone who disagrees with Obama is a racist is an absurd statement, one which the White House has tried to stay as far away from as possible. Likewise, painting swastikas on congressmen's doors is more likely to alienate people from your position than to frighten off opposition.

With debate over healthcare reform reaching the ludicrousness of people brandishing firearms and shouting down members of Congress, one can rightly assume that less and less of the national dialogue is actual debate. The inclusion of race into the discussion of this has about as much place in our national dialogue as physical violence does in the Senate.

Is Party Smart a smart program?

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

I recently learned about a new program that is being considered as a means of cutting down on noise violations at off-campus parties. This new program, Party Smart, gives students a chance to register their party, and if noise becomes an issue, they will have 20 minutes to either break it up or quiet it down. The police, however, will show up if another noise complaint to the same party is made.

I think this is a step in the right direction in trying to keep the relationship between students, the community and the police positive. It gives students a chance to get the party back in control rather than have the cops show up, leading to chaos and more noise as students desperately try to flee. It also cuts down on the cops having to write citations and waste their time at a party while people down the street are being mugged. The community also can call in the party and trust that it will be quieted, whether it is the student's doing or the police.

If I was throwing an off-campus party, I admit, I would

be hesitant to register my party with the police. The chances are pretty high that underage students would be there, and the police aren't stupid. That would be like winning the citation lottery for them, and they have to fill their quota. It would worry me that the police would stop by since I announced my party to law enforcement, and I'm pretty sure I couldn't fight the citation. It really is a matter of trust between the student, Salisbury University, and the Salisbury Police to ensure that it is fair for all involved.

Still, I would give it a try, and who knows? The best case scenario would be that the party would be a success, and I would have a 20 minute heads-up to quiet things down instead of ruining the party with a noise violation. The worst case scenario is the cops don't hold up their end of the bargain and hand out citations like candy. If this program is accepted, I would be very interested to see if anyone will register, and also to see how successful the program will be. Hopefully it will be accepted and successful, leading to an enormous decrease in noise violations and citations, making the students, the police, and the community content.

Kill the death penalty

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Japan's new prime minister, Yukio Hatoyama, has appointed Keiko Chiba, a prominent opponent of the death penalty, to be the country's new justice minister. Chiba's duties include her signing off on all of the country's executions before they can take place. Because of her stance against capital punishment, there has been speculation that Japan's days of executing its criminals are essentially over. If this is the case, then there will be only one industrialized democracy left in the world that utilizes capital punishment: the United States.

In 1972, the Supreme Court, in their opinion for Furman v. Georgia, declared that the death penalty in the United States was unconstitutional because of the systematic racial bias in its application. In 1976, the court allowed capital punishment to be pursued in new prosecutions because of steps taken by the states to address the problem. There are, however, still significant problems with the death penalty in America.

Since the resumption of the death penalty in 1977, there have been over 130 people released from death row because of evidence that proved them to be innocent. In the same period of time, there have been 1,175 people executed. Given the sheer numbers in both categories, the

possibility that there has been a miscarriage of justice is very real, especially given some other facts about the arbitrary application of the death penalty.

95 percent of those on death row cannot afford their own attorneys. While they were granted state-appointed legal counsel, it has been shown that such counsel often suffers from overwork and a lack of resources. In some cases, court-appointed lawyers have been drunk or have fallen asleep during trials.

Additionally, the problem of racial bias still remains. A 2007 study of death sentences in Connecticut by the Yale University School of Law found the death penalty is given to African-Americans at three times the rate of white defendants when the victim was white. Is such arbitrariness justice?

It has been argued that the death penalty acts as a deterrent to violent crime. Evidence of its effectiveness is somewhat lacking according to a New York Times survey in 2000 which found that, in the previous two decades, the homicide rate in states with the death penalty was 48 to 101 percent higher than the rates in states which had abolished capital punishment.

The death penalty in the United States does not abide by any true standard of justice. It's time for America to join the rest of the modern democratic world by stopping it.



April Katsirubas photo

Simon Shaheen and his band play Arabic music in Holloway Hall. On Wednesday, they used improvisation in their eight pieces, as part of cultural panorama The Arab World.

Arabic music virtuoso Simon Shaheen showcases talent

By Kayla Moore
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, Sept. 24, Arabic music virtuoso Simon Shaheen performed a special collection of compositions in Holloway Hall as part of Salisbury University's cultural panorama The Arab World. Shaheen played eight pieces, most of which were played on the oud, the Arabic precursor of the lute. He also used a violin on two pieces. Shaheen's accompanying musicians were Bassam Saba, who played the nay, flute and buzuk, and Michel Merhej, who played percussion with tambourine accents. Shaheen's tantalizing and rich style illuminated warm colors of Arabic music throughout his pieces. The songs revealed Shaheen's traditional Arabic sound with western classical music, jazz and flamenco influences. Middle

Eastern and Mediterranean music were also incorporated in the set. "I have been to Egypt and Spain, and Shaheen's mixture of these two styles lost me within the music, making it very unusual," said Ekaterina Naumenko, an SU student. Shaheen gave life and personality to his music with maqams, an Arabic mode that invokes warmth and color. "Because maqams use micro-tones, it sounds like the music is out of tune; however, it is us who can't hear the notes between intervals of music. It gives the music personality and color," said Dr. Jackie Lew, a professor from the music department.

Improvisation was the outstanding theme in all of Shaheen's pieces. All pieces included some parts lasting up to 10 minutes of pure improvisation of the music, which added a soothing and hypnotic tone to the concert.

"I love the hypnotic qualities of Shaheen's music," said Eileen Gilheany, a lecturer for the social work department. "It was an interesting experience—definitely not something you hear every day," Jonathan Phipps said.

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It was evident that when Shaheen recited his compositions, he felt very much alive in his music. Shaheen's folklore melody featured the African tradition of call and response, which proved that his improvisation made the song feel more like a story than a musical piece.

Overall, the student audience was very receptive to Shaheen and his hypnotic tones.

"I was in awe of how fast they could play," Linsey Hill said.

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"The music made me excited since he was excited and passionate about playing his music," Britany Koneg said.

Salisbury will fight lung disease with Asthma Walk

By Heather Comer
Staff Writer

Lung disease is third on the list of leading causes of death in America. Students, faculty and staff can help the support the fight against lung disease by participating in the 2009 Eastern Shore American Lung Association Walk on Saturday, Oct. 17. Seven teams from Salisbury University have already registered, and their combined fundraising goal is \$3,950. The money raised will go towards promoting lung health research, education and advocacy.

"Teams consist of people who have either known someone affected by lung disease, or they themselves have one of the 70 different types of lung disease," said Jim Phillips, the Eastern Shore's ALA coordinator.

The American Lung Association predicts that in the next 15 years, lung disease will replace cancer and heart disease as the biggest threat to the health of Americans.

Kelly Forsythe, an SU faculty member and the advisor for the Respiratory Therapy Club, hopes to reduce this probability.

Forsythe's team, Wheezy Walkers, is a joint partnership of SU's Respiratory Therapy Club and Peninsula Regional Medical Center. Their fundraising goal is \$2,000.

"I bet if everyone thinks about it, we have all been touched in some way by lung disease or will be in the future," Forsythe said.

Kelly Forsythe is also a practicing respiratory therapist, and this walk strikes a chord within her.

"This is personal to all of us because these are the faces that we see every day, and they need our assistance. As a respiratory therapist, lung disease is the reason we go to work every day. We need to give those with lung disease the chance to live better lives through better breathing," Forsythe said.

Even though lung disease is not entirely caused by smoking, it affects more than 22 million Americans and ends nearly 4,000 American lives

each year. "Lung cancer kills more people than several of the larger cancers, including breast and prostate cancer combined," Phillips said.

Girls on Top of The World, a community service club at SU, has also created a team for October's walk.

"The Walk is a great way to show awareness. It's a great way to fund the search for a cure or assistance," said Alex Nelson, the team captain.

Breathovaire team captain and the Center for Student Achievement Director Dr. Heather Holmes agrees. "I joined the American Lung Association because my Dad had lung cancer and many children suffer from asthma. It is a great way to get involved in the community," said Holmes.

Other SU teams that students, alumni or faculty can join are SU Students and Alumni, Alpha Pi Omega, Breathovaire, Flyer Fighters, and American Marketing Association.

The three-mile walk through the Salisbury City Park and Zoo will begin at 10 a.m. on Oct. 17. Registration starts at 9 a.m.

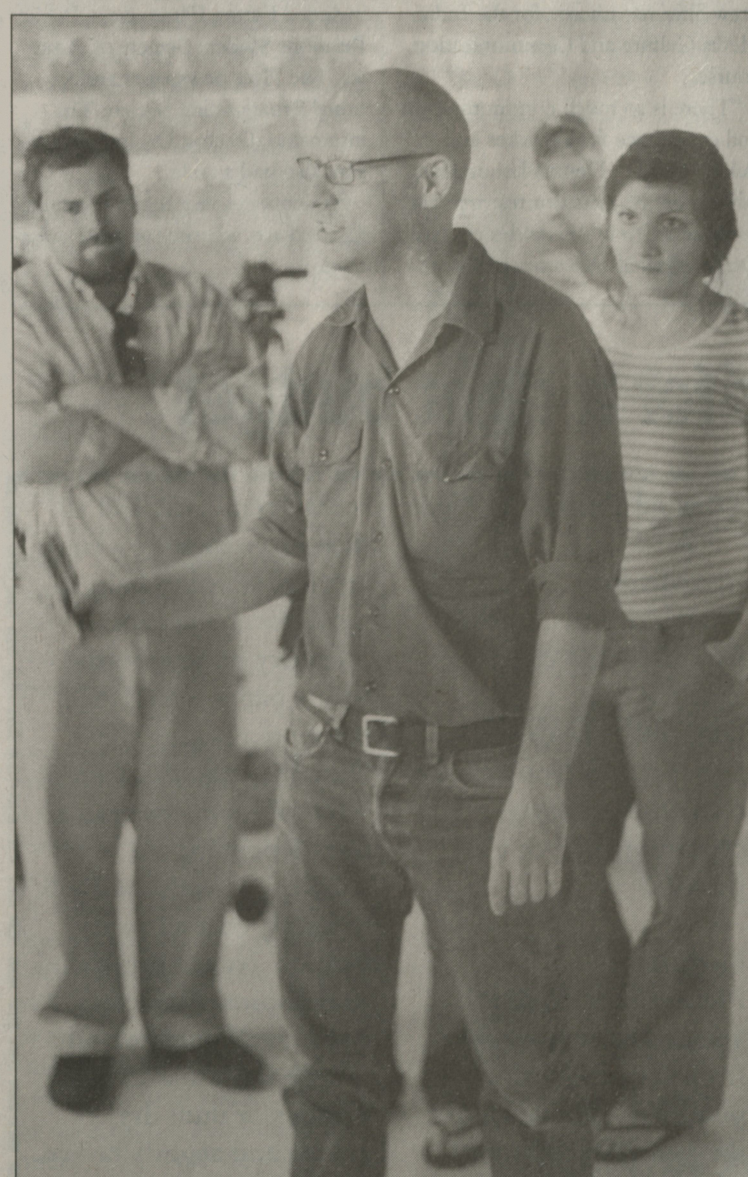
To assist existing teams or to start a team, contact Jim Phillips at 410-548-1613 or at jphilips@marylandlung.org.

Registration can also be done online at www.marylandlung.org.

This Web site also features more details about the walk, team information and contact information for captains.

American Lung Association Walk Schedule
October 17, 2009
9 a.m.: Registration opens
9 a.m.: Team photos start
9:40 a.m.: Welcome
9:50 a.m.: Warm-ups
10 a.m.: Walk starts
Post walk: Lunch served
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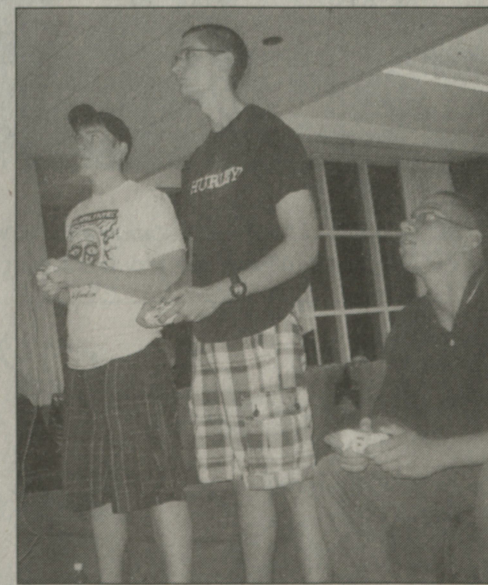
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Michael Sarif, one of the artists who created works for the "MTAA: 2 Live" exhibit in the Electronic Gallery, discusses his art.



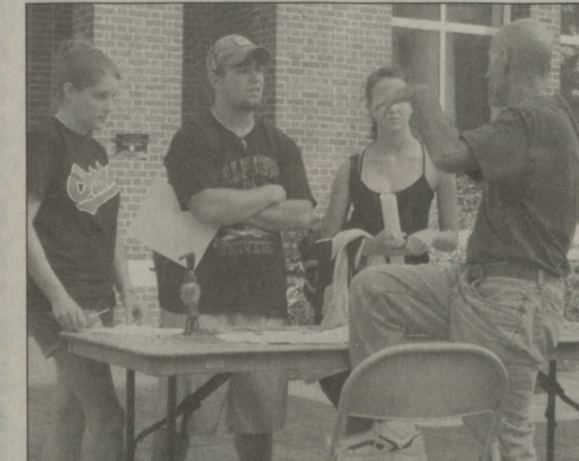
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Dane Stanton and Nelson Elbers promote their fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi, during fraternity recruiting.



Leslie Davis photo

Arnold Jenkins, Dylan Hughes, and Michael Hrychewy battle on the new Halo in an attempt to win an Xbox 360.



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Dr. Dennis Leoutsakas talks to students about study abroad opportunities at the CMAT fair. Various communication arts clubs were also at the event.



Patrick Morris photo

At the police auction, students are given the chance to bid on lost and found items from last year.

Sea Gull X-perience MVP is now SGA officer

By Amanda Kimmish
Staff Writer

This past June kicked off the new Sea Gull X-perience program for incoming students.

Freshman Emma Lewis was featured and voted MVP for showing great leadership ability. "I think I was voted MVP because I got really into the team atmosphere, and put my all into the challenges we participated in. I also tried really hard to get my other teammates into the activities," Lewis said.

In high school, Lewis was the captain of the varsity swim team, the head huddle leader for Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the events chairperson for national dance honor society. Lewis was also the manager of her neighborhood pool.

Student Government Association leaders also thought Lewis stood out because of her experience in organizing events such as a walk-a-thon and fundraising gala. Lewis organized the walk-a-thon and helped a dear friend who was suffering from a genetic disorder called Williams Syndrome. Lewis has been named the official founder of Walk-for-Williams, a walk-a-thon that rose well over \$6,000 for Williams Syndrome.

"Williams Syndrome isn't a well known disease, so I wanted to raise awareness about it. I also wanted to help with the William Syndrome Association Gala because it would be a fun way for



Lindsay O'Neal photo

Freshman Emma Lewis was voted MVP at the Sea Gull X-perience.

all of us in the WSA family to come together and celebrate the lives of those affected with Williams Syndrome and to raise money for the WSA," Lewis said.

The Salisbury University SGA founded Sea Gull X-perience as a new four-day, three-night interactive introduction to life at Salisbury University.

During this time, Lewis was recognized as an outstanding freshman.

Students participating in Sea Gull X-perience were broken up into teams to challenge each other in scavenger hunts, skit performances, making spirit sticks, and the X-perience games.

Students also broke up into small groups to discuss more personal thoughts including how they felt going into their freshman year and what to expect at Salisbury.

"The best thing about X-perience was that, in everything we did, we were learning stuff. We learned time management skills and how to work as a team, but the most important thing we learned was how to open up to a group of complete strangers, and in the end, become friends with all of them," Lewis said.

Lewis is currently the SGA vice president of university affairs.

Comedian Dan Cummins cracks up campus

By Amanda Kimmish and Joe Arnett
Staff Writers

Comedian Dan Cummins brought laugh-out-loud humor to Salisbury University last Tuesday that had the entire student audience rolling over in their seats.

Cummins dubs himself as the "stand up comic for people who don't like stand up comedy," according to his Web site.

A native of Riggins, Idaho, Cummins attended Gonzaga University, where he received his Bachelor's degree in psychology.

Deciding not to pursue a career in psychology, so he thought, Cummins accepted a position at the local fitness center. There, though, he found himself on the receiving end of all of the local soccer moms' laments.

After a period of time of failing to bring home the bacon, Cummins' wife had other plans for her soon-to-be bread winner.

"My wife made me go into the comedy club, which was having an amateur night at the time. At the time, I didn't even like standup comedy," Cummins said.

As is the case for many stage performers, Cummins' comedy career at first was a struggle.

After performing at the "New Faces" show at the Montreal Comedy Festival, Cummins was faced with other opportunities.

Cummins has performed on various late night stages, including Comedy Central's "Live at Gotham," "The Late, Late Show with Craig Ferguson" and "Last

Comic Standing."

Comedy Central also featured him on their "Comedy Central Presents" program.

Cummins won the students over with his jokes on topics like family, sex, college life and his own outrageous personal anecdotes.

He improvised his routine to relate to students by poking fun at a fan who laughed at all his jokes, and he also joked about Sammy the Sea Gull.

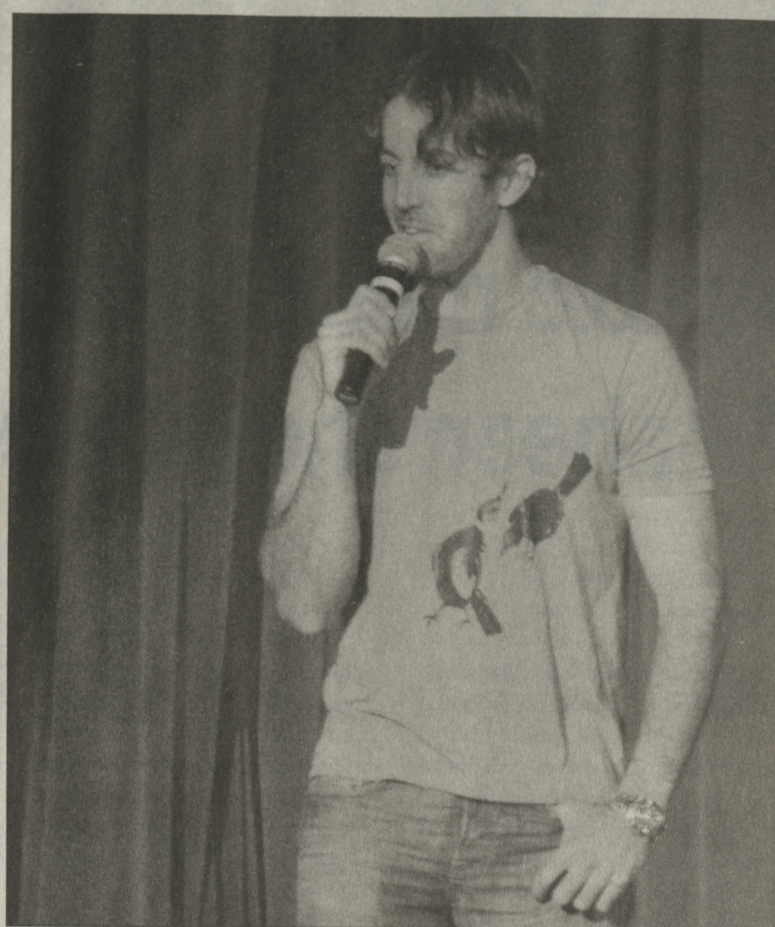
At the end of the show, Cum-

mins took students' requests to hear him tell some classic Dan Cummins.

"It was a privilege having Cummins come here because I love to laugh, and he was hysterical," said Spencer Bath, one of the students from the audience.

Fans of Cummins can see him on Comedy Central's Web site, or follow him on his MySpace page to keep up with his jokes.

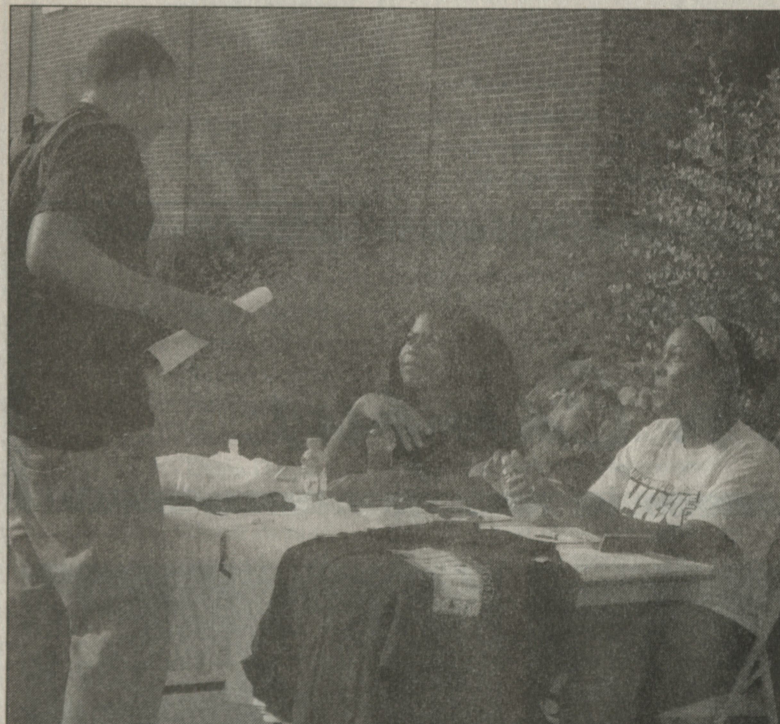
Michael Piorunski and Vanessa Junkin contributed to this story.



Kelly Robinson photo

Dan Cummins, who has performed on various TV shows, brings his comedic talent to Salisbury and the crowd at Holloway Hall.

CMAT Fair shows off department's offerings



Vanessa Junkin photo

WXSU talks about their radio station and offers shirts to interested students at the CMAT fair. The group is looking for new talent.

By Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writer

Many people only aspire to become news anchors, film directors, radio disc jockeys, journalists and public relations executives. These are actually a few of the many careers the communications arts department prepares their students for. The communication arts department organizes an activities fair each semester that shows the ways to get involved.

"The fair showcases our student activities groups and study abroad courses that are led by communication arts faculty. For us, it's the best way to have new students oriented and out to experience extracurriculars in our discipline," said Dr. Cynthia Cooper, department chair and associate professor of communication arts.

Located around the fountain beside Fulton Hall, various communi-

cation arts-specific study abroad programs and organizations set up tables for the purpose of attracting students. The department hoped to "target the right audience," said Jessica St. Sulme, senior and financial director of Salisbury University's student radio station, WXSU.

One of the main attractions at the fair was the table for CMAT 399 international study abroad programs. Some previous areas of study included Scotland, Ecuador and India. India was the first ever month-long experience.

"Today's world is global and more about other worlds," said Dr. Andrew Sharma, advisor for the India Media Culture and Communication course.

"There is so much communication and experience for all wakes and fields," said Dr. Dennis Leoutsakas, advisor of the Ecuador research and social activism in the Andes course.

Dr. Leoutsakas also stressed the im-

portance of "putting education to practice. It's important for students to know what the department can offer them. Communication arts is such a diverse degree," Dr. Leoutsakas said.

The communication arts honor society, Lambda Pi Eta, was also present. The group is involved in service and community based projects.

"It's good to let people know we're here. Because of the induction requirements, it helps people become more aware of grades and work harder," said Robyn Handy, president of LPE.

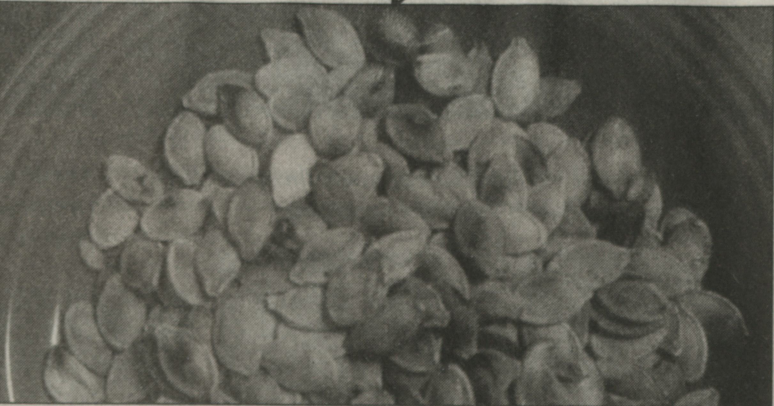
Clubs that took part in the event included Future Filmmakers, Public Relations Student Society of America, The Flyer newspaper and National Broadcasting Society. The internship director, Dr. Jody Morrison, also had a table.

Students can visit the SU communication arts website for more information.

What's Cooking? | Recipes for a tight budget

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

If one were to have walked into my apartment this past weekend, they would have been immediately pummeled with the scent of autumn. Further inside my apartment, taking a step into the kitchen, it's nearly impossible to overlook the 25 pound pumpkin perched on the floor, evidence of the harvest season. This past Friday a friend and I headed westbound on US Rt. 50 in search of pumpkins we could pick ourselves. Of course we could have just gone to a supermarket and picked a pumpkin out of the produce section, but the experience of seeking out and harvesting your own piece of autumn cannot be matched within the walls of the mega-mart. On the short ride out to Oakley's Farm Market, I couldn't stop thinking about the pumpkin and autumn inspired dishes I would be making with the day's harvest. There is



Michael Piorunski photo

pumpkin soup, pumpkin chili, pumpkin ice cream, pumpkin muffins, pumpkin risotto, pumpkin polenta, pumpkin butter, pumpkin bread, and pumpkin pie. When roasted, the pumpkin flesh yields a creamy texture with slightly sweet flavor, and is one of most versatile fruits of the fall harvest season (yes, pumpkin is technically a fruit).

Carefully walking through the field, pumpkins abound. I spotted two gorgeously ribbed, deep orange

pumpkins to scratch my itch for this fall fruit. Once home I proceeded to cut open the smaller of the two pumpkins and clean-out the inside to make one of my favorite snacks: roasted pumpkin seeds. Pumpkin seeds, along with all other winter squash seeds, are a cinch to prepare, are very healthy and have a slightly nutty flavor when roasted. If you plan on making a Jack-o-lantern this season, don't throw out the best part: the seeds.

Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

Ingredients:
Pumpkin seeds, freshly harvested and cleaned
Pinch of salt
Olive oil
Other spices (you can use cinnamon, nutmeg, cumin, pepper, or chili powder)

Method:
Preheat oven to 325°F
Scrape and remove seeds from the inside of a pumpkin, remove all of the stringy membrane, which surrounds and binds the seeds to the pumpkin flesh.
I generally scrape out

seeds, membrane and all, then place them in a large bowl of water to help remove the membrane.

Pat dry harvest seeds with a paper towel, then place on a baking sheet. Drizzle seeds with a bit of olive oil (no more than a tbsp depending on amount of seeds) and mix to lightly coat all seeds with oil. Next, sprinkle on your choice of spice(s) and a small pinch of salt.

Bake seeds for 15 to 20 minutes or until dry, golden and slightly brown. After 10 minutes, check seeds every 2 to 3 minutes to be sure they do not burn.

Unordinarily S(h)ane I'd honestly prefer to lie

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

Someone once wrote that honesty is the best policy. Even honest Abe was rumored to have never lied. Yet he ended up on the darkest coin with the lowest value, facing away from the other presidents on every other coin. There come many times in life where one must face the truth and be honest. It may sound easy, but when confronted with the dilemma of being honest, most reach for an easier policy instead—the little white lie. In order to please others, we often neglect true feelings to avoid hurting the other person. It is times like these I cannot help

but wonder, if honesty is the best policy, just why does it hurt so bad?

If honesty was an unstable trapeze, lying was my safety net. My philosophy is, if no one got hurt, why not lie? For workaholics like me, the word *no* is not in our vocabulary. I have even taken bigger bites than I could chew, and my plate became so heavy that I forgot things I had committed to. I often lied and said I could when my schedule said the dreaded two letter word. In the end, I hurt a lot of people—especially myself.

My lying even invaded my love life. Despite a blatant lack of chemistry, I lied to a guy to give him a chance. After consulting religion, horoscopes, family and

friends, there was only one thing I could do: consult my heart and reach for honesty. No matter how small, lies eventually snowball into a cataclysmic avalanche leaving you with mental brain freeze.

He was hurt; I felt bad. But it was better than living a relationship based on a lie with a catastrophic ending.

Honesty crosses every spectrum in life, from time management to relationships. One of the most important things is to be true to yourself. And generally speaking, when you are true to yourself, you are being honest with everyone else and will be mentally sound in the long run, no matter what the outcome.



Patrick Morris photo

Pumpkins are ripe for the picking at Oakley's Farm Market, which is located about 15 minutes west off of Route 50.

The Invisible Eastern Shore

Oakley's Farm Market

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

It's easy to discount the Shore, to lament the absence of urban and modern pop culture, her sparse modern art and independent film scene, as well as the mediocre at best music scene. It's true, Salisbury is not a city in the typical sense. Despite this, there are still plenty of interesting and fun ways to fill an afternoon, as well as countless unexplored destinations which are most likely miles off of your radar, yet do not require you to travel hundreds of miles and half a day.

On a recent Friday afternoon after my 2 p.m. class, a friend and I headed west on Route 50 in search of an autumn bounty: "The Perfect Pumpkin." After driving 15 minutes we arrived at our destination, Oakley's Farm Market.

Oakley's is not like the two farm-stands on Route 50 you pass along the way, with limited selection (not suitable for finding TFP), one even sporting gimmicky lawn ornaments. Located just before the Valero gas station on the right-hand side of the road, Oakley's Farm Market is a sprawling display of the season's best offerings. With their 38 varieties of pumpkins in all shapes, sizes and colors, one could spend an hour trying to decide between a pumpkin large enough to fill the entire back-seat of a small car, a ghostly white and lumpy variety, or a small one suitable to decorate a college apartment.

Neglecting the daunting variety of pumpkins and gourds, picked and ready to go, we opted to try our luck in the "pick-your-own" pumpkin patch to find our precious beauties. With four acres of pumpkins at our disposal we were bound to find The Perfect Pumpkin.

It didn't take long to feel like a kid again, tromping through the field, meticulously evaluating the shape, diameter and ribbed skin of each fruit, occasionally stopping to see if

indeed I had found The One. Then, there it was, between burgeoning yellow blossoms and lesser specimens, The Perfect Pumpkin. Quickly I rolled it on its side, dusted off the dirt and gave it a firm press to check the ripeness. Mission accomplished! Not too long after my first discovery did I find a second, and equally perfect, pumpkin. With 40 pounds of perfection in my hands, and an afternoon well spent, it was time to retreat back to the mundane, but now with a renewed spirit of discovery an accomplishment.

Henry Oakley and his family own and operate the Route 50 farm market. He says the autumn harvest season is his "favorite time of year." He said hundreds of families pass through and bring their kids to pick pumpkins. They also come to purchase the seasonal produce the Oakleys harvest on their farm off Rockawalkin Road.

"It's buying direct from the farmer," Oakley said, adding, "it's a matter of quality."

On weekends through the month of October Oakley's Farm Market also offers hayrides and a corn maze. Oakley said spending an afternoon on his farm is "a simpler type of way of having fun."

This weekend do something radical; discover the Shore and escape the mediocrity of what Michael Polan has dubbed the "Supermarket Pastoral," in search of a more organic and authentic experience. The Supermarket Pastoral separates consumer and producer, placing them in separate domains only connected through quantity and price in the aisles of supermarkets. Farmers like the Oakleys, though, foster the connection between producer and consumer through meaningful, authentic and fun experiences. One must take the challenge to explore, to look through the cracks of the known and brighten the corners of what is unknown.

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Football dominates at home in front of 1,190 against St. John Fisher

By Theran Dennis
Staff Writer

Coming off two straight losses, the football team was out for vengeance in their game against St. John Fisher College, in front of a rowdy home crowd of 1,190. A defensive struggle in the first half, the Sea Gulls trailed the Cardinals 6-3 going into the third quarter.

"Our goal was to be close to these guys," said Coach Sherman Wood of his team's effort going into the second half. "We knew that we could move the ball."

"We emphasized staying together, keeping a positive mindset, and sticking to the assignments," said senior defensive lineman, and defensive captain Paul Cynewski, whose defense tallied an interception and recovered a fumble in the first half. "It worked. We did every-

thing together today."

Both offenses stalled to start the second half until the Sea Gulls, led by junior back-up quarterback Sean Kelly, who came in to relieve the injured senior quarterback Bobby Sheahin in the first quarter, scored on a 20-yard quarterback scramble to put the maul and gold ahead, 10-6. From there, the Sea Gulls would never look back.

"I was prepared," said Kelly, who went 10-for-12 in the air, for 144 yards and 2 touchdowns, and 46 yards on the ground, with one rushing touchdown. "After Bobby went down, I realized I was going to have to carry us the whole game."

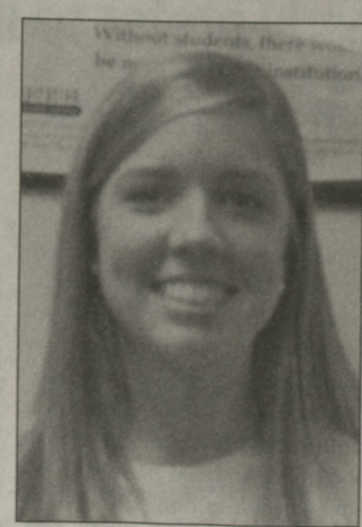
The Gulls would score another 21 unanswered points before the Cardinals scored on an 8-yard touchdown pass. The Cards then took advantage of a Sea Gull fumble and scored again, to come within 11, with 3:40 left in the

game. Following that drive, the Cardinals attempted an onside kick to keep the comeback alive. The kick was recovered by the Cardinals, but did not go beyond 10 yards, resulting in a penalty and gave the Sea Gulls the ball.

"Yes, there was concern," said Coach Wood of the Cardinals' comeback attempt. "I've been coaching for 20 years, I've seen everything."

With a little more than 20 seconds left in the game, Kelly handed the ball off to sophomore slot back Tyler Curley for a 6-yard touchdown run, to make the score 38-20, and seal the victory for the Gulls.

"We wanted to come out very physical," said Coach Wood of his team. "We wanted to be very aggressive, regardless if they made a big play or not, we wanted to continue to work hard and play hard. I thought if we did that, we'd come out with a victory."



Athlete Spotlight

Rachel Downes

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

Salisbury senior outside hitter Rachel Downes is this week's featured athlete. Downes leads the Gulls' volleyball team with 181 kills so far this season. The recent Sea Gull Invitational Tournament MVP sat down with the Flyer to answer a few questions.

How do you feel about the season so far?
"I feel really good about the team. It's a young team with a lot of freshmen. I feel like the more we play, the better we'll be."

What would you say your goals for the season are? "Win the CAC Championship again, and we're all hoping for another shot at the NCAA tournament."

How long have you been playing volleyball? "I've been playing volleyball since 8th grade, so about 9 years."

How did you get started playing the sport? "I had played soccer for my county since I was really young, but my school, Salisbury Christian School, didn't have a team, so I played volleyball and it worked out really well for me."

What would you say some of your other activities are, outside of volleyball? "I play intramural basketball. I also like working out, reading, and when volleyball is over, I want to pick up running. I just read 'The Giver' by Lois Lowry, and that was a great book. I had to read it for a class I'm taking, and it was so good, I told my mom she had to read it as well!"

What is your major?
"I am majoring in elementary education."

As a Christian, can you explain how you came to the decision to accept Christ into your life?

"I accepted Christ when I was seven years old, and my father helped me say the prayer. I go to Providence Presbyterian Church right here in town, and I go to Friday Night Fire as well."

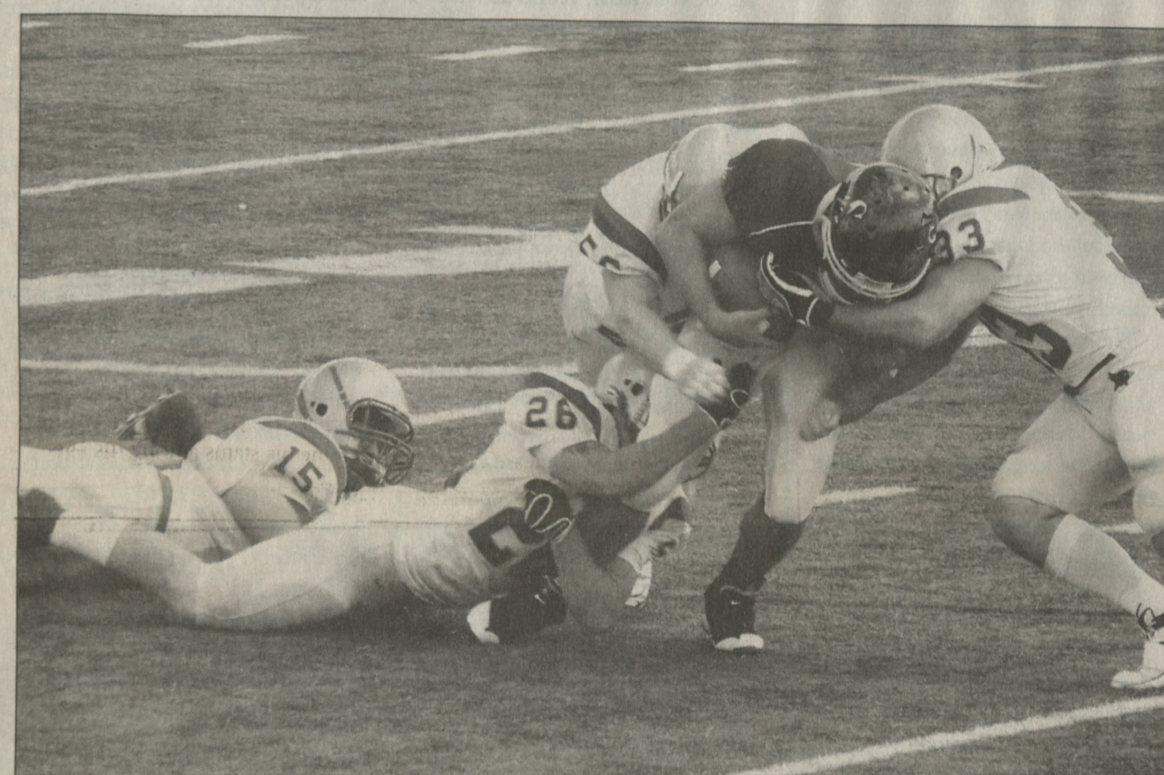
Do you have any pregame rituals that you do before games?
"I usually eat a peanut butter and jelly sandwich before every game, and I always say a quick prayer before games as well."

What would you like to do once you're finished school? "I want to become a teacher and teach younger grades like first or second. I love little kids. My whole life I've loved children. My freshman year I was a nursing major, but I switched to elementary education my sophomore year."

Are there any athletes that you look up to or strive to be like?
"I always feel inspired by Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh, the Olympic gold medalist beach volleyball players. Watching them play makes me want to be a better player."

Have you ever thought about a career in professional volleyball? "I have thought about that, and it would be fun to continue playing the sport, but I also want to teach. I guess there are always county leagues I could play in, and I would also like to coach one day."

What is the one thing you hope to accomplish at some point in your life?
"I want to get married and have lots of kids and raise a family. Four or more kids."



Daniel McFarland photo
It took four St. John Fisher defensemen to bring down this Sea Gull. Salisbury defeated St. John Fisher 38-20 in front of a huge crowd of over 1,000 spectators on Saturday afternoon at Sea Gull stadium.

After winning their first seven games, Salisbury falls to Johns Hopkins 1-0

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

Salisbury's men's soccer team fell short for the first time this season to Johns Hopkins (7-2) with a final score of 1-0. The no. 10 team entered the game on Wednesday, Sept. 23 with a 7-0 record.

With aggressive playing and fancy footwork, both teams fought hard to keep the ball in shooting range. It was evenly matched, with four shots on goal

from both teams during the beginning of the first half, but the Sea Gulls later gained control of the half with 10 shots to the Blue Jays' four.

Just seven minutes into the game, Salisbury looked poised to take the lead as senior midfielder Kyle Sterling dribbled through several Blue Jay defenders before firing a shot to the top corner. Sterling's first of three shots was tipped over the goal by JHU senior goalkeeper Ravi Gill.

Shortly after, a charge up the

field by senior midfielder Benjamin Reed seemed promising but was narrowly blocked again by Gill (four saves), who made several challenging stops during the game.

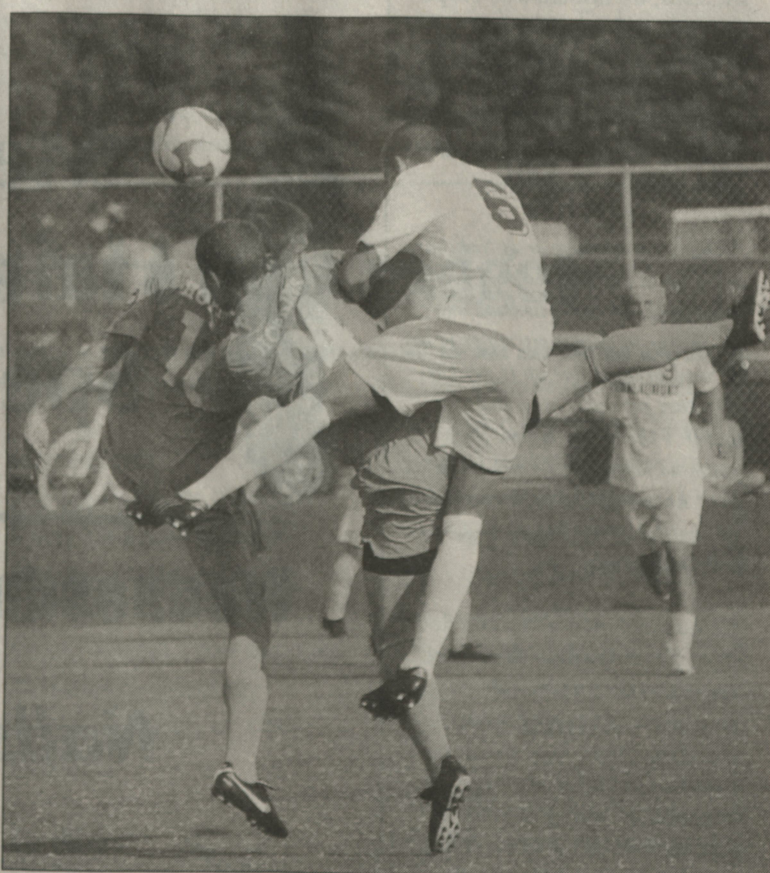
"We were a little unlucky on some goal chances," said head coach Gerry DiBartolo. "We just didn't have that extra spark."

DiBartolo expected a very competitive and physical game against the Blue Jays (7-2). The match was certainly physical on both sides with 28 fouls combined and two yellow cards during the contest.

In the second half, the Johns Hopkins offense dominated and kept the ball on Salisbury's side of the field. As the clock ticked away, more shots were taken and the pressure mounted on both goalies.

With 15 minutes left Hopkins junior midfielder Chris Wilson barely overshot the top of the goal post. The Blue Jays quickly came back, and in the 79th minute of the match, sophomore forward Sean Duggan pushed a deflected shot past senior goalkeeper Greg Wellinghoff, who made three saves on the day.

After the first score of the game, the Sea Gulls kept the ball on offense for the majority of the remainder of the half, but, despite their valiant effort, they could not even the score, and the Blue Jays



Dan Anderson photo
Junior defender Justin Lambert jumps for a header against two Blue Jays. SU's defense was strong, holding JHU scoreless until the 79th minute.

came out on top. Senior midfielder Greg Taylor attributed the loss partly to the long weekend at Roanoke and the team's tough schedule.

"We had 10 to 15 minute spurts where we played really well and

times where we didn't," Taylor said. "We just fell flat." Salisbury had trouble getting enough offensive players on JHU's side of the field, he said.

"Our strategy was sound, but we just didn't play it."



Dan Anderson photo
Freshman forward Adrian Tombini holds off a Johns Hopkins defender on Wednesday. Salisbury lost the game 1-0; their first loss of the season.

Young NFL quarterbacks are taking over the game

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

With the rise of the Baltimore Ravens' Joe Flacco and the Atlanta Falcons' Matt Ryan in 2008, young quarterbacks are battling the game's most seasoned veterans at the position for prominence — and they're winning.

In December of 2008, Joe Flacco became the first rookie quarterback ever to win two playoff games after Baltimore defeated the Tennessee Titans to advance to the AFC Championship game. Fellow rookie Matt Ryan was named 2008 NFL AP Offensive Rookie of the Year after leading the Atlanta Falcons to a playoff victory and throwing for nearly 3,500 yards and 16 touchdowns.

Just three weeks into the 2009 NFL season, both Flacco and Ryan own two of the top six quarterback passer ratings (Flacco — 101.4; Ryan — 100.4), ahead of veterans like Kurt Warner and Kerry Collins, and well ahead of some of the top quarterbacks over the last few years. Names like Tony Romo, Tom Brady, Ben Roethlisberger, Matt Hasselbeck, and Marc Bulger have all struggled to start the season.

It is no surprise that both Flacco's Ravens and Ryan's Falcons sit near the top of their respective divisions with the Ravens at 3-0 and the Falcons at 2-1. Both teams are also ranked in the top-five of the most

recent weekly NFL power rankings with Baltimore at No. 1 and Atlanta at No. 2, according to ESPN.com.

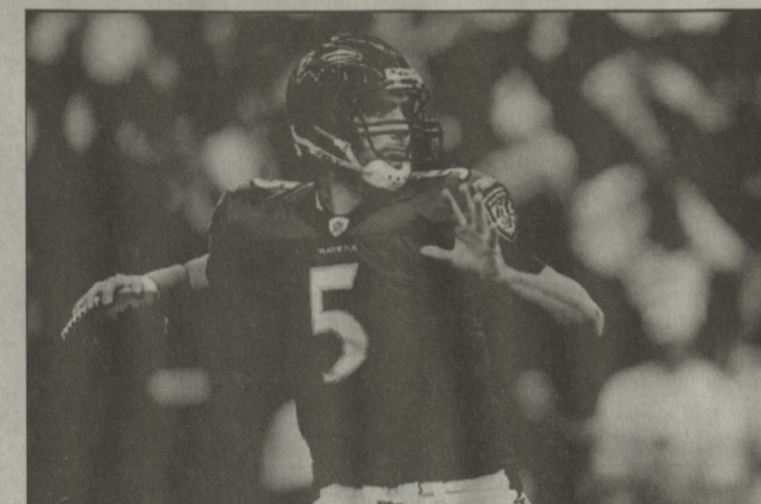
Yes, the season is still very young, and yes, it is not likely that the game's perennially elite quarterbacks won't pick up their pace of play; however, with Ryan and Flacco not showing any signs of the sophomore slump, one cannot help but wonder what will become of this year's rookie starters in the Detroit Lions' Matthew Stafford and the New York Jets' Mark Sanchez.

Though Sanchez, whose Jets are also 3-0, and Stafford, who led Detroit to their first victory since December of 2007 on Sunday, still have a lot to prove, NFL teams are look-

ing to younger and younger stars to jumpstart their teams. So much pressure has been placed on these 'quarterbacks of the future,' yet few have delivered.

Philip Rivers, Jay Cutler, Jamarus Russell and Jason Campbell have only three playoff victories between them in 152 career games played. Aaron Rodgers, though he has been in the league five years, is only in his second year as a starter after spending three seasons behind Brett Favre and already he has the Green Bay Packers looking toward the playoffs.

What does the future hold for these young guns?
Just watch and see.



Internet photo
Joe Flacco threw for a career high 342 yards and one touchdown on Sunday. Flacco has led the Ravens to their first 3-0 start since 2006.

Sea Gulls are back on track after shutting out Rowan 4-0

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

After dropping their last game to No. 1 Messiah, the next opponent the Sea Gull field hockey team faced would have to experience the wrath of a squad determined to prove itself. Unfortunately for Rowan, this turned out to be true as Salisbury defeated the Profs 4-0 last Wednesday night.

"The win, as any win, felt great," said senior forward Lauren Correll. "It is always a good feeling to win together as a team and in such a big way. 4-0, not bad against another ranked team."

The Sea Gulls were off and flying from the opening whistle, dominating play and scoring in the fourth minute. Freshman midfielder Kristina Fusco opened the scoring with a well-taken goal, her fifth of the season, assisted by sophomore back Tara McGovern.

"The team never got off track of our goals from one loss," said McGovern. "If anything, losing to the number one team made us stronger and more determined to work hard and continue to not let down."

With the game in control going into the second half, the Sea Gulls turned up the flame on the Profs, with senior forward Beverly Beladino scoring after Lauren Correll provided a slick cross from the left side of the field. Beladino finished the fast break by diving to poke the ball into the

net, solidifying Salisbury's lead and adding to her season total of seven.

"Yes, winning against a competitive team like Rowan really pushes us to reach for our goal of going to championships," said Beladino. "We take it game by game as a team, and improve day by day to get to where we want to be."

The Sea Gulls continued to apply pressure on the Profs, and even more goals materialized. One of the reasons Salisbury lost to Messiah last weekend was because they could not finish their chances when the time came to put the ball in the net. That was not a problem Wednesday, as Fusco scored her second goal of the day with 11 minutes remain-

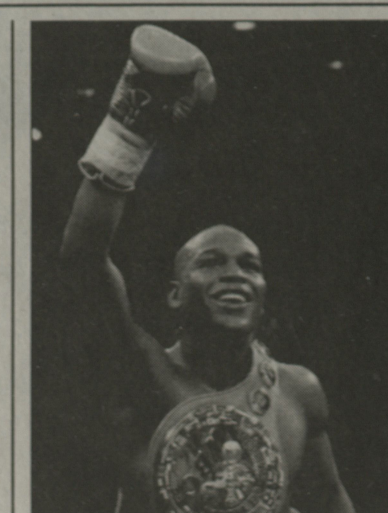
ing in the contest.

The third goal was quickly followed by the fourth, as Beladino slotted home for her second of the game, again assisted by fellow forward Lauren Correll, who has seven goals this season. Salisbury's offense overall had a great day, taking 12 shots on the Rowan goal, but the defense was even better, allowing only two shots on their own net. So far this season, SU has scored 41 goals, while holding their opponents to just 42 shots in nine games.

"After a loss, we always push each other harder," said Beladino. "Our team is filled with so much pride, picking each other up, fixing our mistakes, and perfecting them in the following game is what we do best."



Athletics photo
On Wednesday, Salisbury defeated Rowan 4-0. Saturday, the Gulls beat Wittenberg 5-1 before shutting out Kenyon 7-0 to improve to 9-1.



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Floyd Mayweather is 40-0 after defeating Juan Manuel Marquez.

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

When thinking of the all-time greats in the world of boxing, usually names like Muhammad Ali, Joe Louis, Mike Tyson, Rocky Marciano and Sugar Ray Leonard come to mind.

Those names come to mind because each one dominated his era of boxing. In today's world of boxing it is "Pretty Boy" Floyd Mayweather, a flashy and entertaining fighter who is dominating the modern boxing world, who comes to mind.

Mayweather's record, a perfect 40-0 (25 by way of knock out), speaks for itself. From July 18, 2005 through June 2, 2008 he was rated by Ring Magazine as the number-one pound for pound boxer in the world.

Mayweather has won six World Boxing championships in five different weight classes. He is the former WBC welterweight champion, a title he gave up upon his retirement.

He was named Ring Magazine Fighter of the Year in 1998 and 2007, and ESPN.com listed Mayweather at No. 48 on their 50 Greatest Boxers of All Time list.

Mayweather and Marciano are the only two undefeated fighters on that list.

Mayweather is known for his intelligence, speed, stamina, and impeccable form and balance. He wears down his opponents, outsmarts them with quick punches, and counters to their weaknesses, enabling him to stay fresh, even in the

Is Floyd Mayweather the greatest boxer of his generation?

late rounds of a fight. However, as a result of this style, many view his fights as boring. People like to see knockouts, which is why Mayweather is not considered one of the best modern-day fighters. Most of his recent and more famous fights are very close. Four of his last five victories have come by way of decision.

Mayweather has defeated the likes of Oscar De La Hoya, Juan Manuel Marquez, Ricky Hatton, Arturo Gatti and José Luis Castillo, each of whom are considered some of the best fighters in the Lightweight/Welterweight division over the past ten years. Mayweather's defeat of these greats should naturally throw his name into the 'greatest' discussion.

Nevertheless, Mayweather could have an opportunity to move his name up the list that features Ali, Louis, Tyson, Leonard and Marciano. The boxing nation anticipates a fight with Manny Pacquiao, the current IBO and Ring Magazine World Light Welterweight champion.

Pacquiao, also one of the world's best, seems to be the final step for Mayweather to conquer, seeing as Pacquiao, who is 49-3-2 with 37 KO's, is the only great fighter of this era that Mayweather has yet to face.

Their only competition comes from the comparison of their victories, to which Pacquiao is given the edge, having knocked out several fighters that Mayweather narrowly defeated.

Whatever the future holds, Mayweather's next fight will surely determine his status among the elite boxers.



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Volleyball makes it to finals of Sea Gull Classic but falls to Va. Wesleyan

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

SU volleyball had a very busy week as they faced off against Mary Washington last Wednesday and won the overall match 3-2. Within the first five minutes Rachel Downes had her first kill of the game. The first set was very close and the Sea Gulls put up a hard fight. They lost the first set 19-25.



Bridget Kerner photo
Junior outside hitter Lexy Fitzkee watches as her teammates defend an opposing spike. The Sea Gulls advanced to the finals, where they lost 2-3.

had very impressive saves. SU had a 4-0 lead within the first five minutes of the game. Nicole Massarelli had an amazing kill with an assist from Carley Todd, and Downes provided the Sea Gulls with another kill giving them the lead of 17-9 and with more determination, the Gulls won the set 25-15. The third set featured kills from Chelsea Glowacki, Massarelli and Downes, as they provided SU with very impressive saves. How-

ever, they lost the third set with a close score of 20-25. The Gulls started out the fourth set 2-0 and it remained a very close match. Masserelli and Todd made a great team. Masserelli had another impressive kill with an assist from Todd making the score 7-5. Salisbury remained unstoppable throughout, ending with a final score of 25-16. The overall match was tied 2-2 and the teams faced off in a fifth and final set. Glowacki had a kill, making the score 13-14, before Lexy Fitzkee tied the game at 14-14. It was a nail-biter until Jenna Shay provided the Gulls with a kill making the score 15-14. The Seagulls won the match 16-14. When asked if she considered Mary Washington a rival team, head coach Margie Knight replied, "Yes. They are a conference rival and a tough match up." Freshman Chelsea Glowacki was asked what she considered to be her best play of the night. "Probably the blocks I had at



Bridget Kerner photo
Salisbury positions themselves on defense at this weekend's Sea Gull Classic. SU defeated Johns Hopkins, Goucher and Mary Washington.

the end of the game. I didn't think I would make some of the blocks but I just jumped up and did," Glowacki said. On Friday during the Sea Gull Classic the Gulls defeated Johns Hopkins 3-1 and Goucher 3-0. Saturday they faced Virginia Wes-

leyan in the finals, losing a close match 2-3, for their second loss of the season. The Sea Gulls have their next game Tuesday, Sept. 29 against Marymount at 7 p.m. in Maggs Gymnasium.

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Field Hockey
The No. 2 field hockey team (9-1) defeated Wittenberg University 5-1 on Sept. 26. Junior midfielder Courtney Webster scored 16 minutes into the contest, the only goal of the first half. Webster, who had five points in the game, scored again in the second half, along with Lauren Correll, who also scored twice in the contest. Beverly Beladino also scored, stretching the Gulls' lead to 5-1. The Sea Gulls held a 16-4 advantage on penalty corners and outshot Wittenberg 40-4 on the day. On Sunday, the Gulls finished their trip to Ohio with a 7-0 rout of Kenyon College. Correll had a huge day for the Sea Gulls, as she scored twice in the first half to put the Gulls up 2-0. To start the second half, SU scored three goals in a span of as many minutes from Correll, who recorded her first hat trick of the season, sophomore forward Alison Bloodsworth, and Webster to jump out to a 5-0 lead. Correll then finished the scoring for the day, recording two more goals in the second half and five total in the game.

Cross Country
The men's cross country team placed third and the women's team placed fourth in the Don Cathcart Invitational, held at Win-

ter Place Park on Saturday. The men's team was led by junior Chris Barnard, who finished seventh overall in a time of 26:02. Seven Sea Gulls finished in the top 25, including seniors Carl Bickler (12th overall) and Travis Boccher (15th). The women's team was led by sophomore Kristin Stromberg, who placed twelfth overall with a time of 23:21. She was followed by junior Masha Berge, sophomore Becca Stinner, and junior Jennifer Musemeci, who finished 23rd, 24th, and 25th overall.

Men's Soccer
On Saturday, the Gulls traveled to long-time CAC rival No. 25 York (Pa.) College to play to a 2-2 draw. The Sea Gulls (7-1-1) trailed 2-1 nearing the end of the game until senior midfielder Alex Hargrove scored off an assist from junior defender Justin Lambert in the 89th minute to send the game into overtime. Junior Chris Finney scored Salisbury's other goal of the game off a cross from senior defender Justin McGrath in the 23rd minute to score the game's first goal. After 110 minutes of play, the Spartans and the Sea Gulls went home with a stalemate. This was the first time since 2007 that a team has scored two goals on York College.

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